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M.O.H.'s REPORT

FOR

YEAR 1945.

FOWEY

CORNWALL

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Sir,

I have the honour to submit my Report as M.O.H. to the Fowey Port Health Authority for the year ending 31 December 1945 .

Summary of the number of inspections made is given in the Table below and details given as to number of defects, etc .

Arrivals	No.of vessels inspected	Registd. Tonnage	No.of vessels insanitary	No.of defects	No.of informal notices
FOREIGN					
Steam	57	204,863	8	14	8
Motor	15	3,469	-	-	-
	72	208,332	8	14	8
COASTWISE					
Steam	88	90,172	11	19	11
Motor	158	27,480	4	5	4
	246	117,652	15	24	15
TOTAL (Foreign & Coastwise)	318	325,984	23	38	23

Dear Mr. Chancellor,

I have the honour to submit my Report as H.M.K. of the Torry Fort Health Authority for the year ending 31 December 1948.

Summary of the number of inspections made is given in the table below and details given as to number of defects, etc.

Arrivals	No. of vessels inspected	Tonnage	Regular inspectory	No. of vessels defects	No. of informal
INWARDS					
Steam	57	204,223	3	14	3
Motor	16	3,488	-	-	-
	73	207,711	3	14	3
OUTWARDS					
Steam	88	30,172	11	12	11
Motor	158	27,480	4	3	4
	246	57,652	15	24	15
TOTAL (Foreign & Coastwise)	319	265,363	18	38	18

Nuisances classified .

Nationality of vessel	No. inspected	Defects thro' original construction	Defects thro' Wear & Tear	Dirt, Vermin, etc
BRITISH	113	-	10	8
OTHER NATIONS	205	-	3	17

The shipping was distributed among the various Harbours under this Authority's jurisdiction as follows :-

FOWEY (including Lerr & Polperro)	205 ships ;	302,223 tons .
PAR	94 "	15,257 "
CHARLESTOWN	19 "	1,915 "

By way of comparison, the figures for 1943 and 1944 were as follows :-

1943 .	239 ships ;	98,807 tons .
1944 .	372 "	271,437 "

Since V - E Day the return to more normal trading conditions shows an increase of tonnage and ships inspected .

NOTICES SERVED .

In all, 23 informal notices were served in regard to minor nuisances and/or structural defects . Necessary action was taken to ensure that the said defects or nuisances were made good, if not in Fowey at the next convenient port of call .

Nuisances classified .

Nationality of vessel	No. inspected	Defects thro' construction	Defects thro' Wear & Tear	Dirt, Vermin,
BRITISH	[illegible]	-	10	8
OTHER NATIONS	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The subjoined table indicates among the various Tonnages under this Authority's Jurisdiction as follows :-

POWY (Including Lone & Polperro) 805 ships ; 305,342 tons .

PAR [illegible] 38,287 [illegible]

CHARLESTOWN [illegible] 1,315 [illegible]

By way of comparison, the figures for 1943 and 1944 were as follows :-

1943 . 329 ships ; 38,807 tons .

1944 . 374 " 271,427 "

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PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS . 1943 & 1945 .

Certificates issued :- Deratisation . None .

Deratisation exemption . 11 .

Of these 5 were in ships of the category "up to 300 tons" ; 6 were in the 3,001 - 10,000 category .

The 1945 Regulations now call for an amended type of Declaration of Health . The Port Sanitary Association has issued a 'model' Form and it is proposed to adapt this for local use .

RODENT DESTRUCTION .

With the co-operation of the G.W.R.? on whose property the loading Jetties are situated, pre-baiting and laying of poison bait has been carried out, resulting in the destruction of 5 Black and 9 Brown rats .

ISOLATION HOSPITAL .

There has been no outbreak of infectious or contagious disease within the Port area during the year . Owing to the great difficult of obtaining Nurses at the present time, should it be necessary to admit patients to the Hospital, it has been arranged, with the approval or the Minister of Health, that any case of notifiable disease arising in a ship visiting the Port shall be removed forthwith to the County Isolation Hospital at Truro . The Authorities there are very willing to co-operate and will send an Ambulance at short notice .

PORT SANITARY REGULATIONS - 1949 & 1948 .

Certificates issued :- Vaccination . Plague .

Vaccination exemption . Nil .

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MARINE INSPECTION .

With the co-operation of the U.S.S. on whose property the local jetties are situated, pre-painting and laying of poison bait has been carried out, resulting in the destruction of 8 black and 3 brown rats .

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WATER - SUPPLY .

Vessels using the Port are supplired with water from the mains of the local Borough Council . Samples are taken therefrom at regular intervals and the potability of the water assured ; when necessary chlorination is carried out .

The demands of Service personnel not having been as heavy as in 1944 it was possible to get through the drier months of the year without undue anxiety, but the Local Authority is taking the necess--ary steps to augment the present supply, which is not always adequate to meet the summer demand .

FOOD INSPECTION .

No action has been necessary under any of the Regulations dealing with the subject .

There are no shell-fish layings within the Port area .

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

your obedient servant,

William H. Ruig

(Surgeon Lieut-Commander R.N.)
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The Minister of Health .

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Surgeon Lieut-Commander R.N.V.R.

The Minister of Health .